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Patrick Dana Simpson et al.

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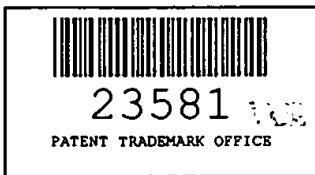
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 11, 2001, applicant hereby elects Group 1, that is, claims 1-10, with traverse.

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